



Software Engineering 3

Lecture 5 – Git

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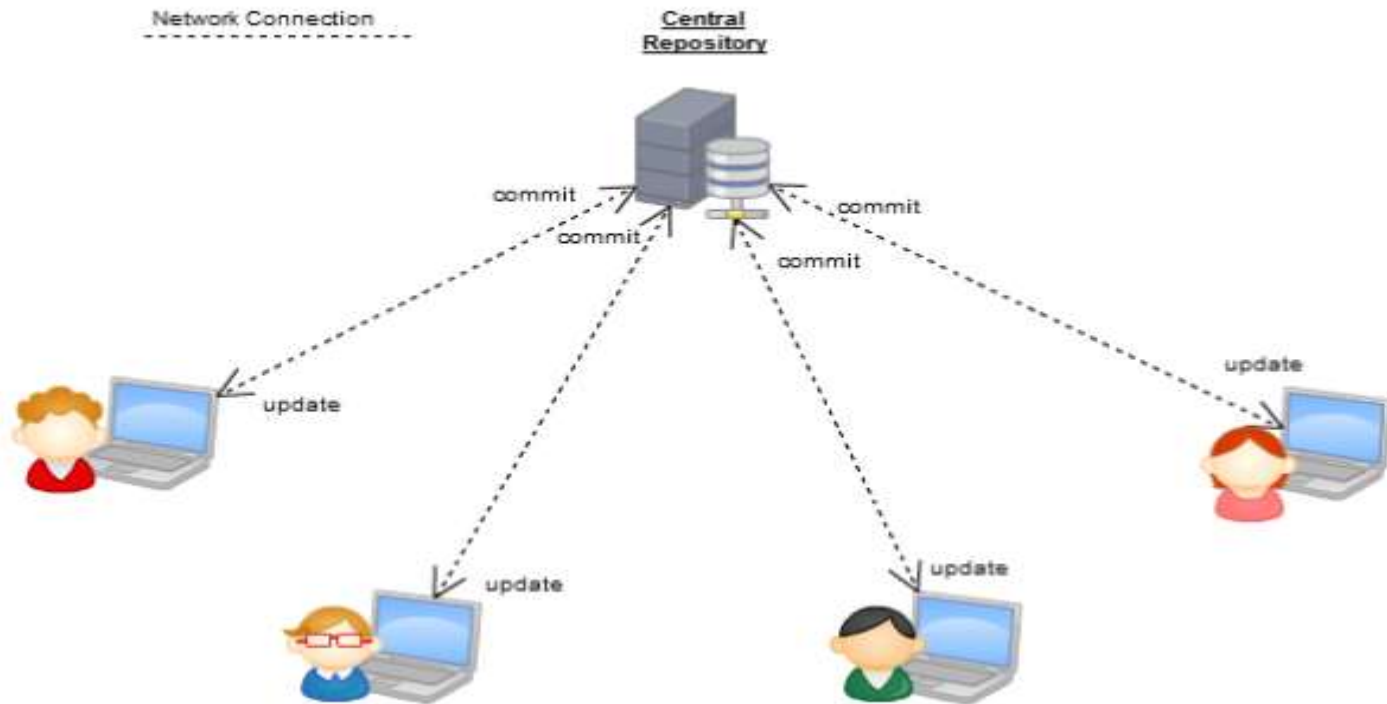
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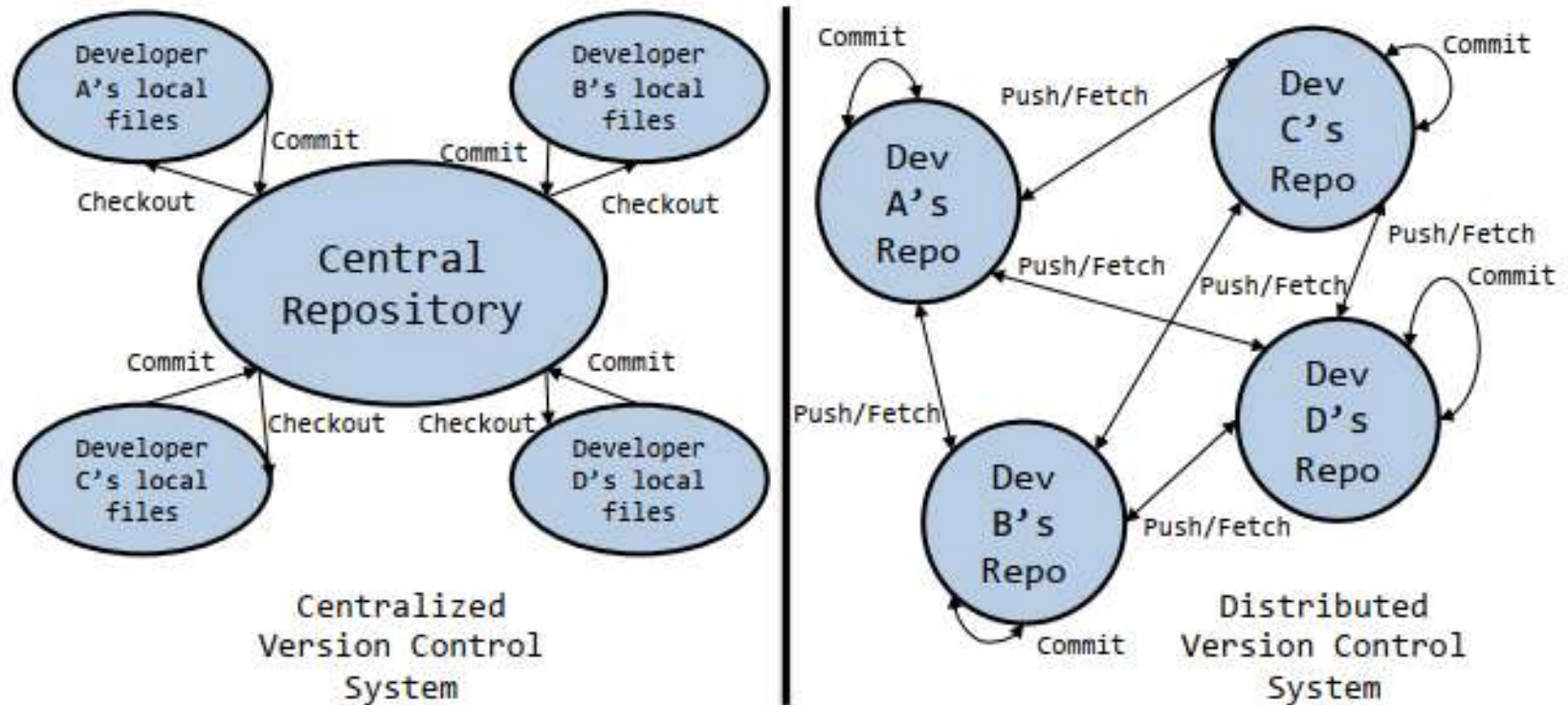
Goals of Version Control

- Be able to search through revision history and retrieve previous versions of any file in a project
- Be able to share changes with collaborators on a project
- Be able to confidently make large changes to existing files

Centralized Version Control Systems



Distributed Version Control Systems (DVCS)





Git

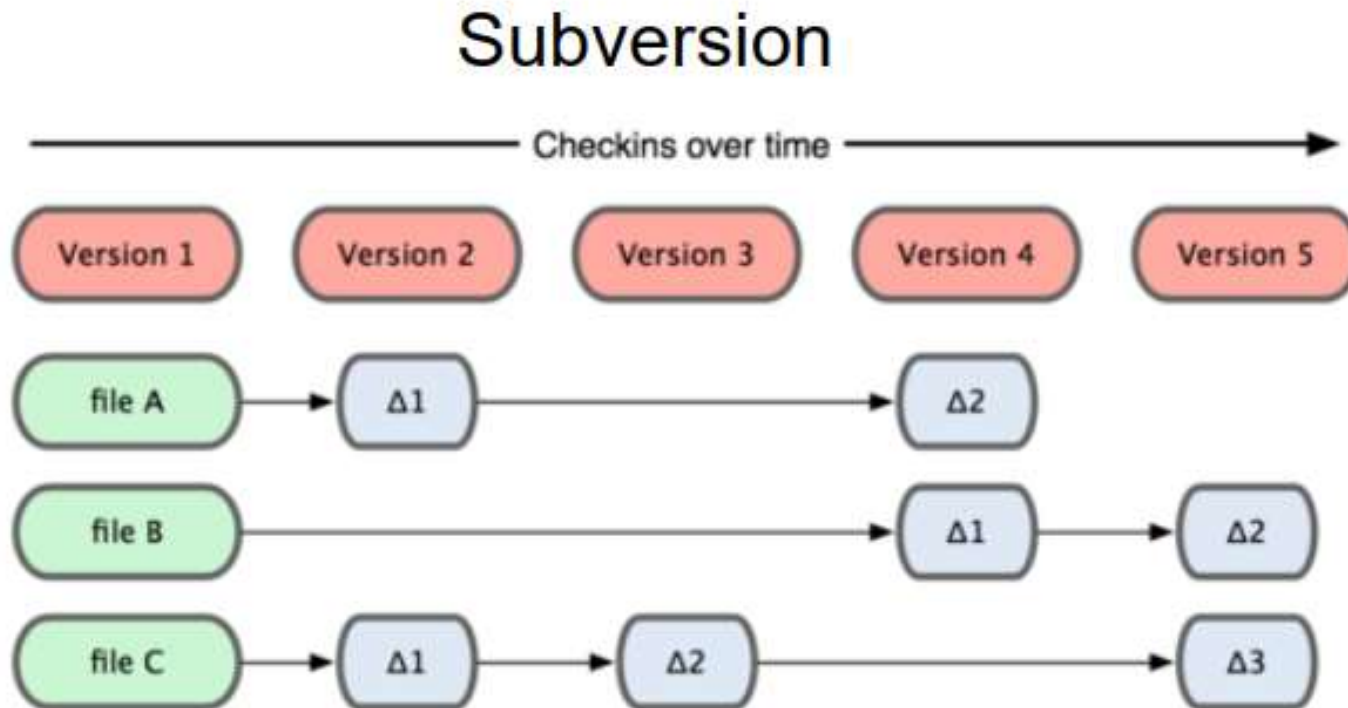
- Created in 2005 by Linus Torvalds to maintain the Linux kernel.
and he created that too.
- Distributed VCS
<https://www.git-scm.com/>



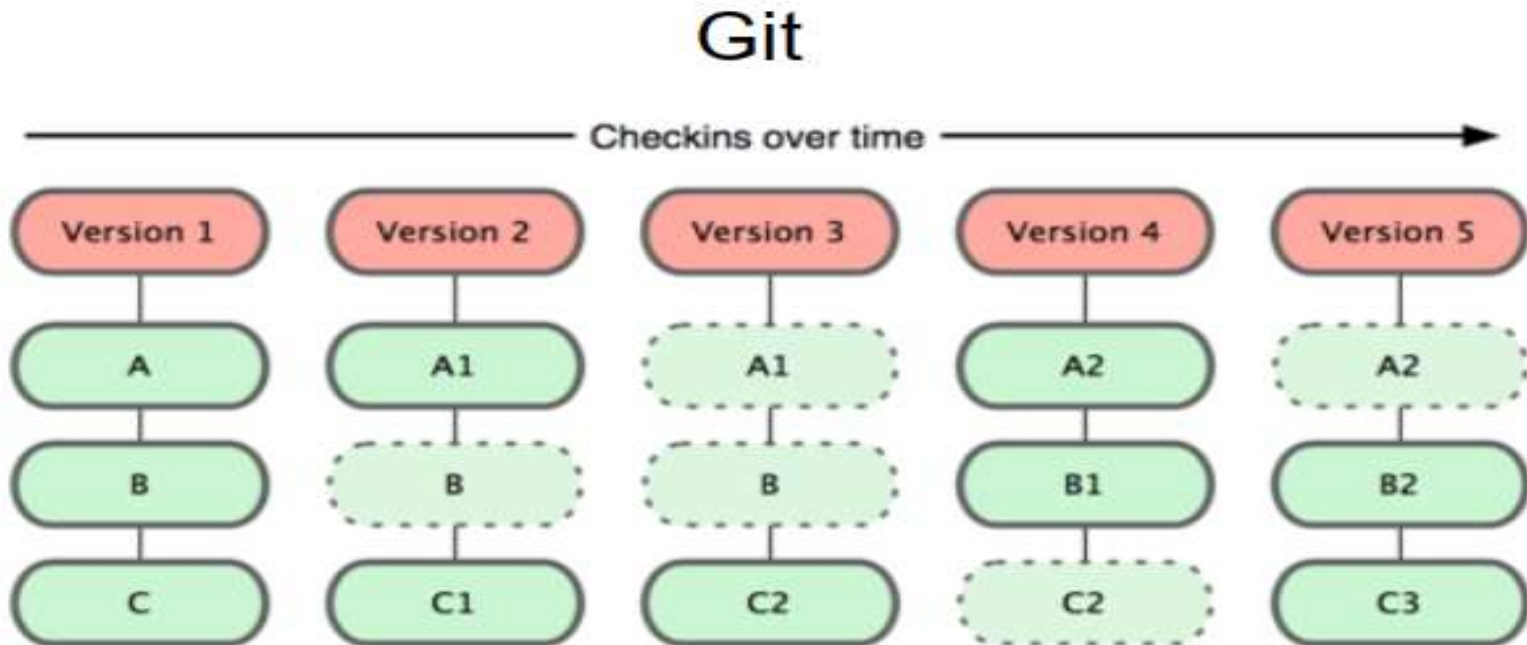
Git History

- Initial goals:
 - Speed
 - Support for non-linear development (thousands of parallel branches)
 - Fully distributed
 - Able to handle large projects like Linux efficiently

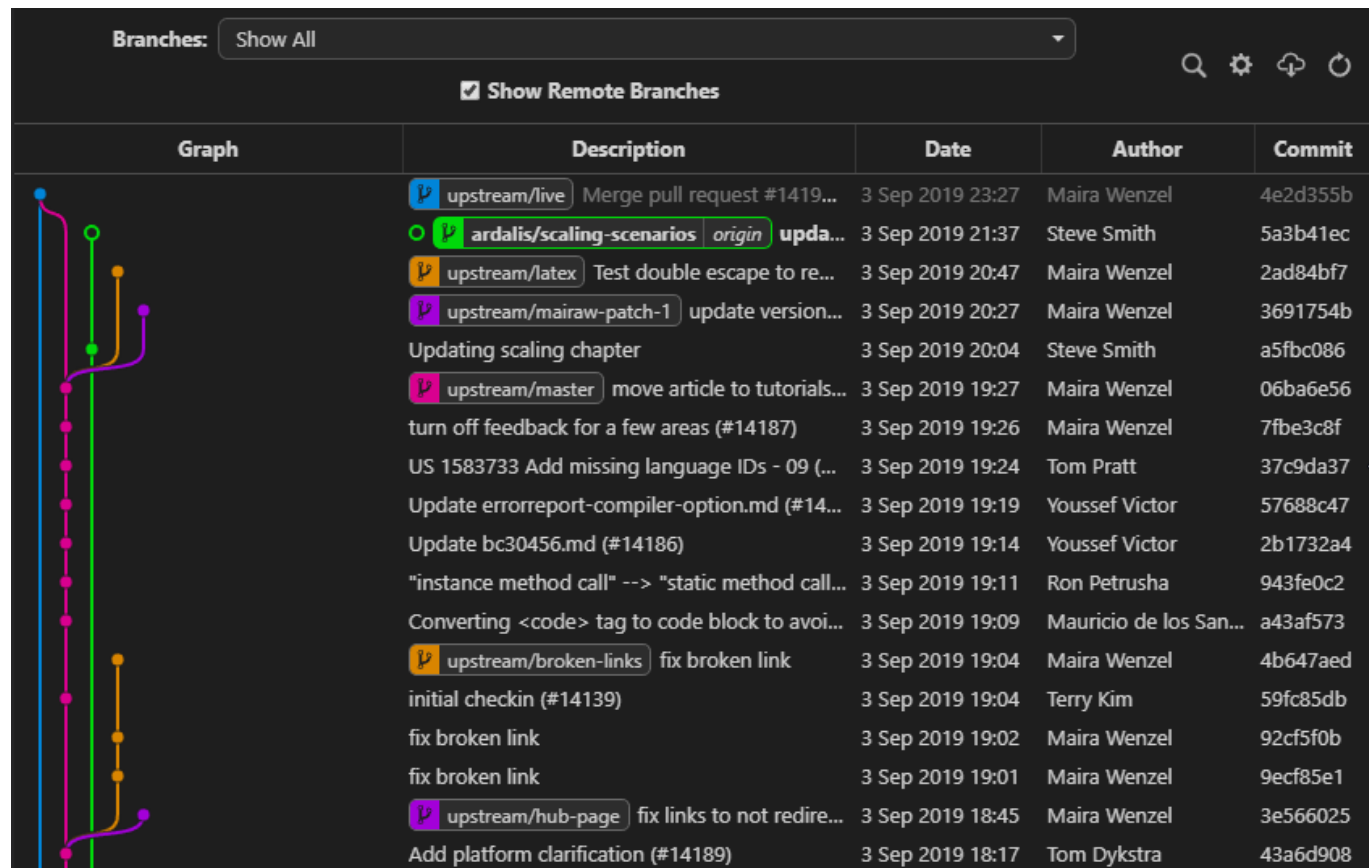
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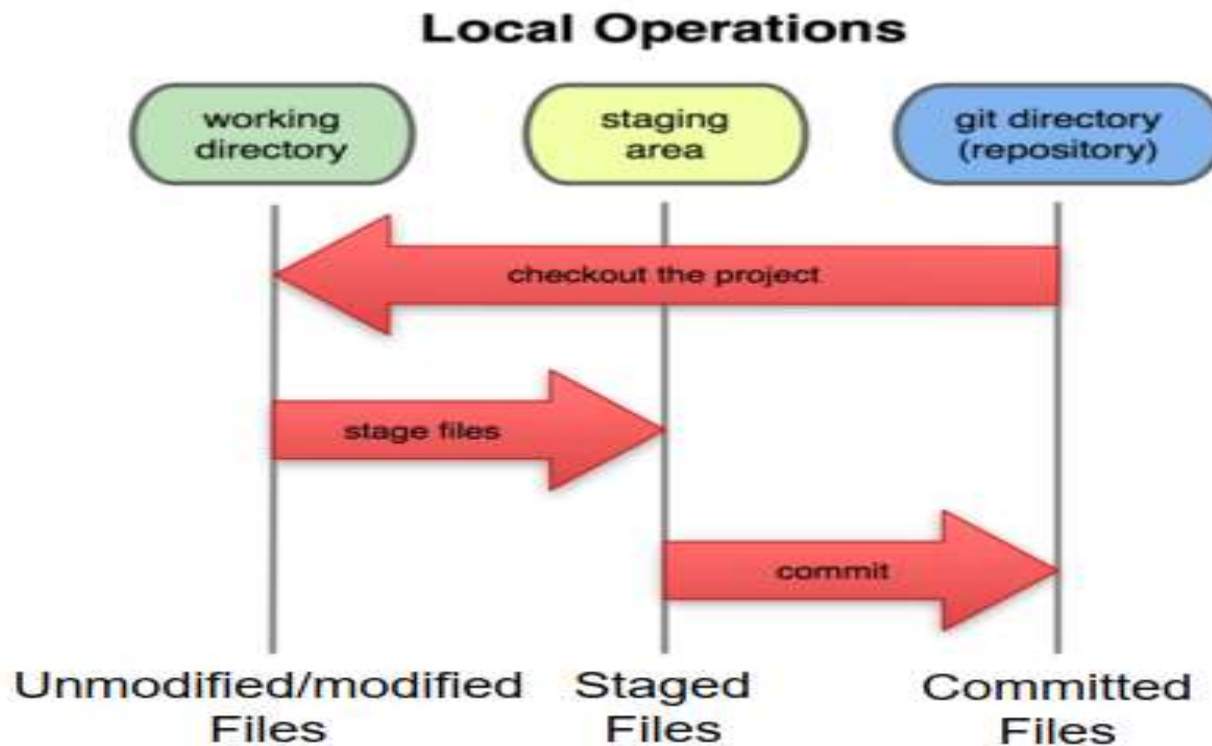
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A Local Git project has three areas





Git commands

command	description
<code>git clone <i>url</i> [<i>dir</i>]</code>	copy a git repository so you can add to it
<code>git add <i>files</i></code>	adds file contents to the staging area
<code>git commit</code>	records a snapshot of the staging area
<code>git status</code>	view the status of your files in the working directory and staging area
<code>git diff</code>	shows diff of what is staged and what is modified but unstaged
<code>git help [<i>command</i>]</code>	get help info about a particular command
<code>git pull</code>	fetch from a remote repo and try to merge into the current branch
<code>git push</code>	push your new branches and data to a remote repository
others: <code>init</code> , <code>reset</code> , <code>branch</code> , <code>checkout</code> , <code>merge</code> , <code>log</code> , <code>tag</code>	



Create a local copy of a repo

- 2. Two common scenarios: (only do one of these)
 - To **clone an already existing repo** to your current directory:
`$ git clone <url> [local dir name]`
This will create a directory named *local dir name*, containing a working copy of the files from the repo, and a **.git** directory (used to hold the staging area and your actual repo)
 - To **create a Git repo** in your current directory:
`$ git init`
This will create a **.git** directory in your current directory.



Get ready to use Git!

- 1. Set the name and email for Git to use when you commit:

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$ git config --global user.name "username"
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$ git config --global user.email emailaccount@gmail.com
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- You can call **git config --list** to verify these are set.
- These will be set globally for all Git projects you work with.
- You can also set variables on a project-only basis by not using the **--global** flag.



Add files

- Now we have our local repository .
- we can propose changes by *adding* it to the **Index** using the following commands:
- #For a specific file : `$ git add <filename>`
#Or to add all files and folders simply use : `$ git add .`



Committing files

- Adding the files (proposing the changes) is the first step in the basic git workflow. To actually commit these changes use
- `$ git commit -m "Commit message"`
- Now the file is committed to the **HEAD**, but not in your remote repository yet.



Pulling

- **Pull** from remote repo to get most recent changes (fix conflicts if necessary, add and commit them to your local repo)
- To fetch the most recent updates from the remote repo into your local repo, and put them into your working directory:
`$ git pull origin master`



Pushing

- After **commit** changes are now in the **HEAD** of **your local working copy**.
- To send those changes to your remote repository, execute
- `$ git push origin <master>`
- Change `#master` to whatever branch you want to push your changes to.



Pushing

- Notes: **origin** = an alias for the URL you cloned from
master = the remote branch you are pulling from/pushing to, (the local branch you are pulling to/pushing from is your current branch)
- If you have not cloned an existing repository and want to connect your repository to a remote server, you need to add it with
- `$ git remote add origin <remote server>`

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Branching

- To create a new branch named "feature_x" and switch to it using
`$ git checkout -b feature_x`
- To switch back to master type:
`$ git checkout master`
- To list all branches: (* shows which one you are currently on)
`$ git branch`
- After your work is done and you want to delete the branch simply type:
`$ git branch -d feature_x`
- A branch will not be available to others unless you push the branch to your remote repository using :
`$ git push origin <branch>`



Update & Merge

- In order to update your local repository to the newest commit, type
`$ git pull`
- in your working directory to fetch and merge all the remote changes.
- To merge another branch into your active branch (e.g. master), use
`$ git merge <branch>`
- before merging changes and fixing the conflicts, you can also preview the differences between the branches by using :
`$ git diff <source_branch> <target_branch>`

